

What is claimed is:

1. A method for monitoring and reporting performance information relating to data transmissions, comprising:

5 receiving an electronic data transmission addressed to a network service provider;
 routing the data transmission to the network service provider;
 monitoring a portion of the data transmission;
 generating performance information associated with the data transmission; and
 reporting the performance information to a third party.

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2. The method of claim 1, further comprising:

 storing the performance information in a database.

15 3. An apparatus for monitoring and reporting performance information relating to data transmissions, comprising:

 a processor; and

 a memory in communication with the processor, the memory for storing a plurality of processing instructions allowing the processor to:

 receive an electronic data transmission addressed to a network service

20 provider;

 route the data transmission to the network service provider;

 monitor a portion of the data transmission;

and

generate performance information associated with the data transmission;

report the performance information to a third party.

5 4. The method of claim 3, further comprising processing instructions allowing the processor to:

store the performance information in memory.